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Professional Appointments

2019-2022 Post-doctoral Fellow, Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Hong Kong

Education

2019 Ph.D. Comparative Politics (*excellence*), The University of Hong Kong
2015 Master of International History (*distinction*), Department of History, London School of Economics
2014 Master of International Relations, School of International Studies, Peking University
2011 B.Sc. International Politics (*summa cum laude*), School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University

Monographs

Draft *Modern China and the Question of Muslim Sectarianism*
Draft *Sino-Middle Eastern Relations: In the Eyes of the Beholder* (co-authored with Andrea Ghiselli)

Articles in Refereed Journals

Draft “The Twisted Evolution of Cultural Security Discourse in Saudi Arabia: From Leftist Origins to Contemporary De-Islamization”
Draft “Saudi Arabia and East Asia’s Cold War”
Draft “Yellow Peril with a Dash of Green: Triangular Mediations on an Islamized China at the turn of the Twentieth Century”
2022 “Exploiting China’s Rise: Syria’s Strategic Narrative and China’s Participation in Middle Eastern Politics”, *Global Policy* (**forthcoming**, co-authored with Andrea Ghiselli)
2021 “Traditions of Maturidism and Anti-Wahhabism in China: An Account of the Yihewani Hard-liners of the Northwest”, *Journal of Islamic Studies* 32:3, pp. 354–382
2021 “Guarding Against the Threat of a Westernising Education: A Comparative Study of Chinese and Saudi Cultural Security Discourses and Practices Towards Overseas Study”, *Journal of Contemporary China* 30:131, pp. 803-819 (co-authored with Yan Xiaojun)
2020 “Arab encounters with Maoist China: Transnational journeys, diasporic lives and intellectual discourses” in, *Marx and Lenin in Africa and Asia*, special issue of *Third World Quarterly* (ed. Harry Verhoeven), 42:3, pp. 503–524
2020 “A Near-Normalisation? Sino-Saudi Diplomatic Flirtations between 1955 and 1957”, *Asian Journal of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies* 14:4, 567-580 (co-authored with Wang Tingyi)
2019 “Marx’s Arabian Apostles: The Rise and Fall of the Saudi Communist Movement”, *The Middle East Journal* 73:3, pp. 438–457
2018 “China as the New Religious Frontier for the Da’wah: Analyzing the Emergence of a China-oriented Missionary Impulse in Saudi Arabia”, *Journal of Arabian Studies* 7:2, pp. 225–246
2016 “Adhering to the Ways of Our Western Brothers: Tracing Saudi Influences on the Development of Chinese Salafism”, *Sociology of Islam* 4:1-2, pp. 27–58

Book Chapters

2022 “Cultural Security in the People’s Republic of China: Between Party-State Invocation/Formalization and Academic Theorization” in Ptáčková, Jarmila and Klimeš, Ondřej (eds). *Minorities in Their Own Lands: Cultural Security among Ethnic and Cultural Minorities across Asia*. Routledge (**forthcoming**)
2021 “Sino-Omani relations” in Fulton, Jonathan (ed). *Routledge Handbook on China–Middle East Relations*, Routledge

- 2017 “Hajjis, Refugees, Salafi Preachers, and a Myriad of Others: An Examination of Islamic Connectivities in the Sino-Saudi Relationship” in Reardon-Anderson, James (ed). *The Red Star and the Crescent: China and the Middle East*, Oxford University Press/Hurst
- 2017 “Messianic Zionism, Settler-Colonialism, and the Lost Jews of Kaifeng” in Latyner, Anson & Paper, Jordan (eds). *The Chinese Jews of Kaifeng: A Thousand Years of Persistence*, Rowman & Littlefield Publishers
- 2015 “The Future of a Critical US Relationship in the Gulf: US-Saudi Relations and the Rise of the Saudi ‘Garrison State’” in Hook, Steven & Niblock, Tim (eds). *The United States and the Gulf*, Gerlach Press
- 2014 “Saudi Arabia and the US Alliance: No Place for an Asian Alternative?” in Niblock, Tim & Yang, Guang (eds). *Security Dynamics of East Asia in the Gulf*, Gerlach Press.
- 2013 “China’s Economic Impact on Egypt” in Lenze, Nele & Schriwer, Charlotte (eds). *Converging Regions: Global Perspectives on Asia and the Middle East*, Dorset Press, 2014 (co-authored with Ben Simpfendorfer)
- Draft** “The Twisted Evolution of Cultural Security Discourse in Saudi Arabia: From Leftist Origins to Contemporary De-Islamization”

Research Briefs and Media

- 2021 “The Prophet’s Dao along the Yalu: Muslim Histories in Northeast Asia”, *Dirasat* (62) KFCRIS
- 2020 “The People’s Republic in the Red Sea: A Holistic Analysis of China’s Discursive and Material Footprint in the Region”, *Dirasat* (52) KFCRIS
- 2019 “An Overview of Sino-Gulf Relations: A ‘New Era’ of Growth and a Future Era of Stagnation?” in Enrico Fardella and Andrea Ghiselli (eds). *ChinaMED Report: China’s New Role in the Wider Mediterranean Region*
- 2019 “Parallels between Feminist Movements in Saudi Arabia and China”, Arab Gulf States Institute in Washington (co-authored with Eman Alhussein).
- 2019 “Syria’s ‘China Dream’: Between the Narratives and Realities”, *Commentary* KFCRIS (co-authored with Andrea Ghiselli)
- 2019 “Transnational Shi’ism in Southern China and the Party-state’s “Hawza” Diplomacy”, Middle East Institute
- 2019 “American ‘China watchers’ are debating US policy: The Gulf should watch closely”, *Alarabiyya*
- 2018 “The Curious Case of China’s ‘Kuwaiti Concession’”, Arab Gulf States Institute in Washington
- 2018 “Why is Beijing Lying Low in the GCC Crisis?”, Middle East Institute at the National University of Singapore
- 2018 “The Communist Party of China’s United Front Work in the Gulf: The ‘Ethnic Minority Overseas Chinese’ of Saudi Arabia as a Case Study”, *Dirasat* (34) KFCRIS
- 2017 “Changing State-Religious Relations in Xi Jinping’s China and its Consequences for Sino-Saudi Relations” *Dirasat* (19) KFCRIS
- 2016 “China’s Stance on East Jerusalem”, Middle East Report Online
- 2015 “Bringing Our Lost Brethren Back Home: Messianic Zionism, Settler-Colonialism, and the Lost Jews of Kaifeng”, *Jadaliyya*
- 2015 “An Israeli Lobby in China?” *The Diplomat*
- 2015 “Among Old Friends: A History of the Palestinian Community in China”, Middle East Institute
- 2014 “Chinese Salafism and the Saudi Connection”, *The Diplomat*
- 2014 “Hadi al-‘Alawi, Scion of the Two Civilizations”, *Middle East Report* 270, pp 19–20
- 2014 “The Growing Phenomenon of Israeli Advocacy in Chinese Academia”, *Jadaliyya*
- 2013 “Israel-Sino Relations through the prism of Advocacy Groups”, Durham University Al-Sabah Monograph Series (8), pp. 1-47
- 2013 “Saudi-Singapore Relations”, Gulf Research Center
- 2013 “China in the Eyes of the Saudi Media”, Gulf Research Center
- 2012 “Sino-Saudi Relations: An Economic History”, Gulf Research Center
- 2012 “South Korea-GCC Economic Relations: An Overview”, Gulf Research Center

Courses Taught

- 2021 Instructor, “Islam in China: Eighth Century to the Present” (45095651, University of Gottingen)
- 2018 Teaching Assistant, “Political Participant: Why and How?” (POLI3094, University of Hong Kong)
- 2016 Teaching Assistant, “Protests, Rebellions and Revolutions in Modern China: From 1840 until Today” (CCCH9009A, University of Hong Kong)

Selected Grants/Honours/Fellowships

- 2022 Resona Foundation for Asia and Oceania Grant – For “Islam in China: Sects and Sectarianism” (¥2,000,000)
- 2021 Fellowship at the University of Gottingen – For “Worldmaking: A Dialogue with China” Project funded by the German Ministry of Education and Research
- 2020 Harvard University Center for Middle Eastern Studies Grant – For “Inter-Asian Cold War Linkages” Conference (\$15,000)
- 2018 Visitorship at the Institute for International and Strategic Studies, Peking University
- 2015-2019 University of Hong Kong Postgraduate Scholarship

Research Grants Council Projects

- 2017-2018 General Research Fund Award (770,680 HK\$) - For “Fighting the Gunpowder-less War: A Comparative Study of the Conceptualization and Practice of Cultural Security in China and Saudi Arabia” – Wrote the proposal for the grant application under supervision of the Principal Investigator (Yan Xiaojun)
- 2019-2022 Collaborative Research Fund Award (6,252,078HK\$) - For “The Infrastructures of Faith: Religious Mobilities on the Belt and Road” - Team Leader on Religious Strategies on BRI under Project Coordinator (David Palmer)

Conferences/Lectures

- 2021 Center for International Research, Sciences Po
- 2021 Zurich Graduate Institute
- 2021 Asia Center, University of North Carolina
- 2021 Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences
- 2021 Oriental Institute of the Czech Academy of Sciences
- 2020 Middle East Institute, National University of Singapore
- 2020 McGill University
- 2020 Freiburg University
- 2020 Department of Politics and Public Administration, The University of Hong Kong
- 2020 Middle East Studies Association
- 2020 Centre for the Study of Islam, Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies, University of Exeter
- 2020 ChinaMed Summer School, The University of Torino
- 2019 Middle East Institute, National University of Singapore
- 2019 Freie Universitat Berlin
- 2018 Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University
- 2018 Association for Asian Studies
- 2018 The Asia Global Institute, The University of Hong Kong
- 2018 Peking University
- 2018 Centre for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University

Non-Academic Employment

- 2015- Non-Resident Senior Researcher and Asian Studies Program Head, King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies
- 2012-2015 Researcher, Gulf Research Center

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Languages

Arabic (native speaker)

Chinese (advanced writing, speaking, and listening)

English (fluent)